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They Said It:

"Stand your ground. Don't fire unless fired upon, but if they mean to have a war let it begin here!"

-John Parker, to his Minutemen at Lexington

Fact:

One in five of all living species may be extinct by AD 2000. Those lost will be destroyed mostly by man.

CAMPUS

Engineering skills test

Aptitude testing for pre-college students interested in pursuing careers in engineering, technology, mathematics or science is being offered by the National Engineering Aptitude Search organization.

A three hour exam will be held Sat., Feb. 18 from 9 a.m. to noon to assess the student's academic strengths.

For additional information contact Don Deeley at (714) 667-3237.

Club information day

Discover the opportunities of various club memberships on RSC's campus.

Club information day is sponsored by the Inter Club Council and will be held in the mall area of the campus at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Wed., Feb. 1.

CLASSES / SEMINARS

Guilt management film

Examine how guilt is a learned behavior and how to cope with guilt feelings by viewing the film "Guilt: The Psychic Center."

This free presentation will discuss increased awareness of values, attitudes and behaviors by Joyce Earl, RSC counselor.

The film will be shown on Mon., Feb. 6 at 5 p.m. in room D-202.

Real estate license renewal

RSC Community Services is offering a real estate license renewal class for licensees needing an updated license.

The 45 hour class will meet on Thurs., Feb. 9 through June 1 from 7-10 p.m. in room U201A.

Cost for the class is \$150. For further information call (714) 667-3096.

Youth art club

Children seeking to expand their creative talents to include ceramics, painting, paper mache and collages may do so on in the young artists club.

The club will begin meeting on Saturday mornings, Feb. 11- March 18, from 9-10:30 a.m.

For further information call the community services office at (714) 667-3096.

Seminar on selling game ideas

A two day seminar, titled "How to sell your toy and game ideas", is being offered by the RSC services office on Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 8-9 in room U-107 on the Santa Ana campus from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

There is a \$50 fee required for the seminar which is designed to demonstrate the what, where, and how of developing and marketing your ideas. For additional information call 667-3096.

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New budgets receive failing grades

Administrators unhappy with governor's 1989-90 education proposal

BY DAN TRATENSEK
DESIGN EDITOR

Keeping in step with the recent flow of support-oriented community college legislation, Gov. George Deukmejian unveiled plans for his \$2.45 billion education package.

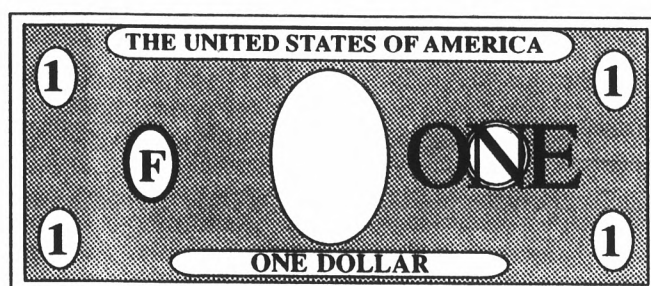
Deukmejian's proposal would provide for a 7.2 percent increase over the \$2.31 million in funds allocated last year.

The majority of funding adjustments will be going into General Apportionment (\$143.3 million) and Capital Outlay Construction (\$111.1 million), leaving, what some considered major areas of concern un-addressed.

Specific aspects of his package have come under fire from community college administrators who give his budget failing grades in the area of reform funding.

"We're pleased that the ongoing operations of the community colleges will be adequately funded," said David Mertes, State Chancellor. "However, while the level of funding for the reforms in AB 1725

BREAKING DOWN DEUKMEJIAN'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE DOLLAR



will maintain the levels of 1988-89, it will not permit us to enter into the second major phase."

It is the lack of these monetary provisions in the budget that have raised questions about where the funding for AB 1725 will be coming from.

AB 1725 which is designed to consolidate and strengthen the community college's position in higher education was at the top of the administrators wish list for funding but, as for now has been postponed.

"At this point the budget is barely adequate, there are elements of AB 1725 that have not been funded for growth," said Grace Mitchell, RSC vice-chancellor.

Funding for this growth was expected to come from a series of legislation that passed in the November elections, including propositions 78 and 98.

According to RSC President Robert Jensen the community colleges were awaiting a hefty budget boost from the revenue generated by proposition 98 in

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RSC's optional dollar fee debuts with mixed results

BY KAREN WALSH
STAFF WRITER

To increase their budget, the Associated Student Body added an optional \$1 fee to the 1989 Spring registration costs, according to Valerie Venegas, student activities coordinator.

Funds received from this fee will be used to promote more programs and activities. However, Venegas is unsure at this time as to the amount of monies collected thus far.

"Without much effort, it's been going well," said Venegas, "but we should be doing more soliciting and promotion."

Venegas hopes that ASB will get behind the program more in order to get the funds they would like to receive.

Ted Moreno, ASB president, came up with the idea a year ago. ASB is assigned \$25,000 a year, but Moreno felt they needed extra money for future plans.

"I wanted to get the fountain in the quad area started," said Moreno, "and the game room needs new chairs and equipment." The cost of redecorating

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Mitchell selected for Cuesta post

Student services VP to become president of Northern California community college

BY TIMOTHY SELVIDGE
NEWS EDITOR

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs and Community Services, Grace Mitchell, will assume a new position as president of Cuesta College. She will be succeeding Frank Martinez, who is retiring after 11 years at Cuesta.

During her tenure at RSC the student services department has come into its own as a solid and respected part of the

college, contributing to the success of the students.

"I was at the point of applying for a presidency," said Mitchell, but Cuesta solicited her in the meantime.

Mitchell has served as vice chancellor at RSC since August 1986. "I am excited about taking on my first college presidency," Mitchell said, "but I have mixed emotions about leaving RSC."



"The more I talk to people about RSC the more I realize how attached I am. I will miss the staff I've worked with and my leadership team in student services."

Before serving at RSC, Mitchell was vice president of instruction at Cabrillo

College in Aptos, Calif. She has also held various administrative, teaching and counseling positions at American River, Cosumnes River, Indian Valley, and Merritt.

Mitchell's responsibilities included all credit and non credit classes, community education, occupational curricula, the disabled students program and related instructional activities.

Cuesta College, located in San Luis Obispo, is the center of the community, according to Mitchell. Currently their enrollment is more than 8000 students a semester.

"Cuesta is a gem of a college," Mitchell said. "My goals there will be to make a good place even better by supporting the college's strongest aspects, and by strengthening those areas that need improvement. I look forward to the challenge of guiding Cuesta through its coming period of growth."

Adviser provides a 'Strong' focus for honor society

Club reinstated after two years without leadership, organization

BY KIM NELSON
STAFF WRITER

Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society shook off the moth balls and began restoring the chapter at RSC after two years without any apparent direction.

AGS has been without an adviser and non functional, thus causing this dormant period. With the addition of the new AGS Adviser, Kevin Strong, new life has been added to this well established chapter.

"I decided to become the adviser," said Strong, "because I feel the club has

an unlimited potential to serve the community and the college. I really don't think I'll have much to do except in an advisory position because I feel the members should run the club themselves."

To become an initial member of AGS, a student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and have completed 12 semester units, or recently graduated from high school with a GPA of 3.5.

Some of the monetary rewards that AGS students may be eligible for are: scholarships, graduating with honors, receiving an official gold pin from the AGS chapter and

having a gold seal stamped on their transcripts.

Added benefits gained from serving the community and the college will serve as a foundation to build upon after AGS college days are behind them. "It's a feeling of pride to be a member of an honor society," stated Carolyn Arnone, club secretary.

Elections for the executive committee were held on November 29, 1988. Newly elected officers are: Melinda Gray, president; Kim Nelson, vice president; Scott

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Campus Services

EOPS, providing help where it's needed most

BY ALEXANDRA WITTGEN
STAFF WRITER

Assistance for students with language barriers, cultural and financial difficulties is available through the Extended Opportunity Programs and Services.

EOPS is a state-funded program created to provide special support and assistance to students seeking a college degree or vocational certificate for employment.

"We actively recruit the students to come to our campus and help them in every possible way," said Clara Babcock, senior clerk of the technical department of EOPS.

Services offered by EOPS are grants for book purchases, EOPS library privileges, counseling, tutoring, learning skills classes, transfer assistance, fee waivers and career guidance.

A summer college readiness program is also offered through EOPS to prepare students for college. It includes college orientation, placement testing, field trips, fall scheduling, guest speakers, values clarification, instructor presentations, decision making, coping skills and group interaction.

"Students signing up for EOPS sign a contract and we tell them what we are going to do for them. Also, we explain to them

what they have to do to stay in the program," said Babcock.

Eligibility for EOPS requires that students be a California resident enrolled as a full-time student, and have completed less than 70 units applicable to their degree. A Board of Governor's Grant will cover their tuition costs.

"If a student should have to drop classes, the first thing he has to do is see a counselor from EOPS. They will do everything to help the student's academic progress," Babcock said.

Those interested in applying for EOPS may call 667-3070. EOPS is located on the second floor of the Johnson Center, room U-221.

Look for future articles about the different programs offered by EOPS in the following issues of the el Don.

Thousands lost, damaged in el Don theft

BY DONNA DEAN IRANI
STAFF WRITER

An excess of \$13,000 worth of computer hardware and equipment was stolen from RSC's el Don newspaper offices on Dec. 19, and the equipment that remained was damaged.

According to the police report, the break-in was discovered at 11:30 p.m. by the custodian on duty who alerted campus police. Tracie Elenz, el Don production coordinator, stated that the thieves apparently knew what they were after and were very selective in what they took.

"They took only untraceable computer items that were easy to get rid of and valuable; only one computer was left whole and what they didn't take they broke so that no one would be able to use them," said Elenz.

Police reports state that there were signs of forcible entry through the small broken windows in the office doors. However, they are working on the theory that the broken windows were a subterfuge to make it look like it was an outside job.

"Our preliminary investigation of the theft leads us to believe that it is some-

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Rock rally in the amphitheatre

The Associated Student Body had its first barbecue, concert, pep rally Friday in the amphitheatre. Upcoming activities include Club Organization Information Day which will be on Feb. 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the mall area of the Santa Ana campus.

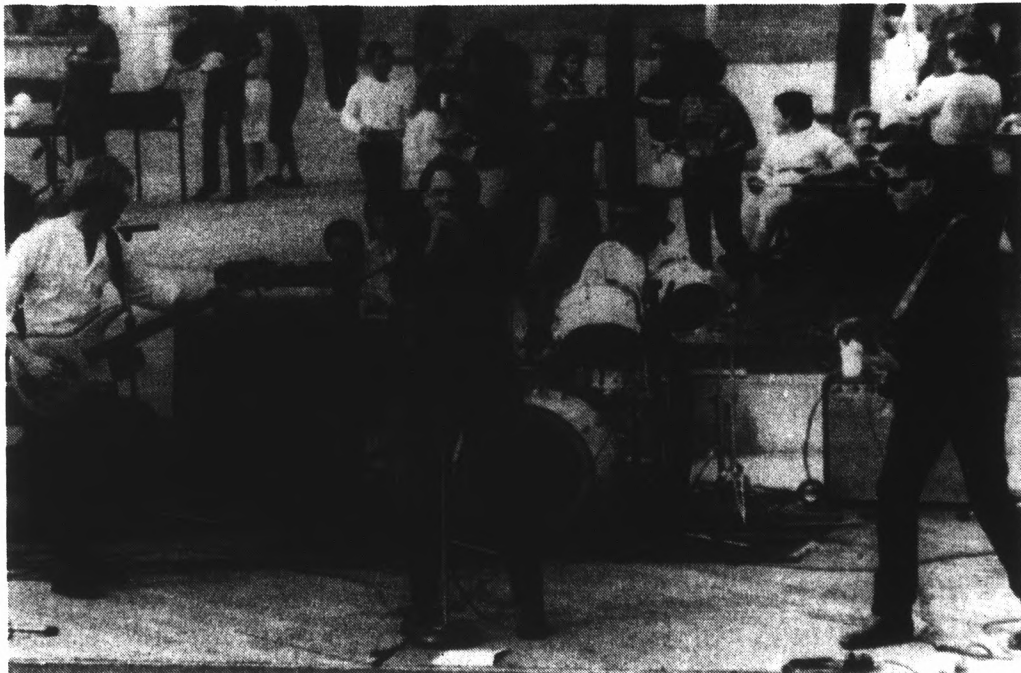


Photo By/ Adrian Vasquez

Budget:

Duekmejian's plan fails to impress school administrators

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order to implement the major reform phases outlined in AB 1725.

However, under Deukmejian's current plan the majority of the Prop. 98 revenues are slated for the K-12 system, leaving the community colleges with merely a cost of living adjustment.

"The lions share of the Prop. 98 money has gone to K-12 with the community colleges getting very little," said Jensen, "this is where the battle will come. The way it is now K-12 is being pitted against community colleges for the (proposition) 98 dollars."

Jensen along with a contingent of community college administrators, legislators and Deukmejian will be teaming up to discuss the budget before the final draft comes out over the summer.

However, according to Jensen, he believes that a new proposal will come before the summer upon the release of the May budget update.

ASB: Optional student fee undergoes first test

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will be \$850. "There's an 80 percent chance that the projects I want to get done will get done."

Both Moreno and Venegas stated that they feel the \$1 option fee is a good idea and that it will continue in future semesters.

However, Moreno expressed disappointment with the way the registration office publicized the optional fee. "They asked you at registration if you wanted to pay for parking, but they didn't say anything about the \$1 option fee," he said.

According to Moreno, it was relatively easy to get cooperation from the board of trustees. "At first, you always have trouble with a new idea," Moreno said. "They want to see the best for the college. They've been helping me through everything, at each level. It's just a matter of blood, sweat, and tears."

Alpha gamma sigma:

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Downs, treasurer; Carolyn Amone, secretary; Margaret Steinberg, historian and Toni Antonio, ICC appointee.

A new constitution has been drafted by the AGS executive board and the club is ready to get the first order of business, that of selecting committees, out of the way.

"I want to help pull the group from the who's that, to the who's who of the community college," stated

Gray. "We have a lot of fund raisers already in the making, and there's room for people who want to get involved."

The first scheduled meeting will be held Feb. 7, at 1 p.m. in room D102. Students interested in joining AGS may contact Kevin Strong at 667-3287 or Kim Nelson at 953-9116 for further information.

Burglary: \$13,000 in losses slow production schedule

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one, possibly a district student or employee who has access keys to the lock-down devices or the computers, or an employee who has made those keys available to someone on the outside, said Robert Partridge, administrative dean of facilities planning & campus services.

"All the recent thefts point to person or persons who knew what they wanted and where to get it," said Partridge.

Campus police also said that there is a \$2500 deductible fee each time an insurance claim is filed, which is paid for by RSC.

However, monetary loss is not the main concern to the students who produce the newspaper, according to Toby Sharp, el Don's editor-in-chief.

"The theft makes it tough on everyone, because we won't have our familiar equipment to use, especially at the beginning when it's most important," said Sharp. "We are going to have to adapt and work around the problems that we do have because of the loss of our equipment."

According to Partridge, the school would appreciate any information from any source that would lead to the individuals responsible for this, and that all calls directed to 667-3341 would be handled on a confidential basis.



el Don aftermath.

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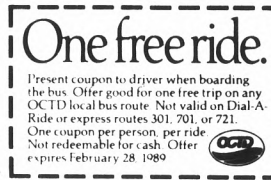
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Students pay for theft

The offices of el Don have become the most recent target of a campus crime wave which has also claimed several other victims.

El Don was robbed of nearly \$13,000 worth of computer equipment and software; equipment valuable in the education of journalism students as well as in the actual production of the el Don.

The authorities, including the Santa Ana Police Department, would like to place the blame on a district student or ring of district students because keys are believed to have been used in the recent break-ins.

Although this may be a possibility, as district students ourselves we feel this attitude just deepens the wound that was opened up by the theft.

The el Don is a semi-professional newspaper and our staff must work with deadlines and follow procedures that are essential for the weekly production of a newspaper.

Integrity and trust are two of the most important of those procedures. By blaming students, integrity and trust are lost.

The authorities may cause severe long term damage to the entire journalism department by pointing an accusatory finger at students for the theft.

The el Don has no official suspicion, but feels that other possibilities should be checked out.

Due to a budget cut, campus security has been reduced, leaving certain hours with out security officers on duty. This lack of protection not only endangers students and faculty members on campus, but leaves vulnerable the buildings and properties of RSC.

This is not the fault of RSC's Police Department, yet we believe that this is just one of several factors contributing to the rise in crime on campus.

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Congress may get 50 percent raise

BY JENNIFER MC DONALD
STAFF WRITER

If you are like most working Americans, you are probably looking forward to a pay increase somewhere between three and five percent this year.

Not surprising, since the cost of living has risen 4.4 percent in the past 12 months.

Also not surprising is that when President Reagan unveiled his final budget a few weeks ago, it included a proposed 50 percent salary increase for members of congress. Reagan personally stands to benefit from this pro-

posal as well, to the tune of an additional \$55,500 per year.

Unless the pay raise is rejected, all 535 congressional salaries will escalate from \$89,500 to \$135,000 per year.

That is \$24 million annually out of our tax paying pockets, folks.

In the wake of a soaring deficit and rumored cutbacks to Medicare and other badly needed programs, I marvel at the audacity of such a proposal. Especially as it follows a hefty pay hike just two years ago.

The average teacher in this country earns \$29,000 per year. If this pay raise is not voted down, Con-

gress will enjoy an annual increase of \$45,500- one and a half times more than that teacher earns in a single year.

This illustrates the sad state of the American value system.

The deadline for congress to vote down this pay increase is February 8. In order to force this issue to a vote in Congress, 285 congressional signatures are needed. You can register your protest with your congressmen in care of the U.S. Capitol, Washington, D.C., 20515.

Public servants do not merit such princely wages. We must put an end to this idiocy before it is too late.

Opinion

System proves its point

BY MAURICE ALCALA
STAFF WRITER

The right to self-preservation through the bearing of arms should always be guaranteed to the fullest extent, for its constitutionality to be applied accordingly.

On Jan. 13 a New York judge convicted Bernhard Goetz, the famed subway vigilante, of possessing an unlicensed firearm when he gunned down four young black men in New York's crime studded subway late in 1984. He was sentenced to one year in prison and fined \$5000. In 1987 he was acquitted of several charges, including attempted murder, stemming from the same incident.

It is obvious that Goetz was once more fearing for his life as he retaliated against his assailants (one of them had threatened Goetz with a screwdriver prior to the shooting) since Goetz had been mugged several times before.

Goetz' intentions in self-defense were more than

planned and justified in his own sense justice; he had the imminent right and urgent need to fight back against what could have been his last mugging. His anger was more than overdue.

Of course, there is no way of knowing what the assailants real intentions were, considering that three of them had criminal records. But, what if Goetz had been killed or injured by the victims instead? Is a corpse really needed to justify one's own defense? Of course not.

Goetz should be freed after serving only 51 days, when his parole is due to be effective. The system does not need to imprison him for a full year just to prove its point. It already has. Goetz just didn't expect to be a victim of the legal system as well. He just rightfully believed that violence is sometimes the only cure for violence itself.

Pro life sometimes only pro birth

BY HAWLEY MILLER
STAFF WRITER

It has been 15 years since the U.S. Supreme Court handed down its decision on *Roe v. Wade*, and still the battle over abortion persists. One side says it's murder. The other states every woman has the right to control her own body. Tough questions, these. Emotional. Violent.

It seems strange to me that sometimes those who argue for the sanctity of life will not hesitate to throw bombs into buildings without regard for the lives of the beings inside. Why is the life of the fetus the only one worth saving? Prolife often means probirth, and nothing else.

What lies in store for a child born to a parent that does not want it or cannot afford it? Often child abuse, both physical and emotional, leaving scars which are passed on to another generation.

"Don't destroy the mother in order to save the child."

What alternatives are these prolife activists coming up with to assist those already here who must care for the baby they so desperately want to save? Maternity homes? Day care centers? The collection of unpaid child support? Where are they after the birth?

If a pregnant woman wants an abortion, she will get one. It happened before legalization, and it will

continue if the law is repealed. Are we to go back to the cold, dark rooms at the end of an alley? Coat hangers and homemade solutions for an unwanted problem? One would hope those days are gone forever.

One cannot legislate conscience, and some will use abortion as a form of birth control. This pattern can -- and must -- be changed through education, not by forcing a woman to carry to term a fetus she does not want.

Abortion is an extremely emotional decision and not one to be made in haste. The effects of that decision last a lifetime. But a woman should have the right to make that decision about her own body, her life.

I say to those that would eliminate the freedom of choice: Don't destroy the mother in order to save the child.

Reverse racism plagues awards show

BY MARY MCCORMACK
STYLE EDITOR

While watching the recent NAACP awards ceremony on TV I began to get a little annoyed.

Award recipients repeatedly thanked "the black community for it's support" without which, most of the entertainers believed, they couldn't have made it to the top.

Now, I realize that white votes probably don't count during the NAACP decision making process, but I know for sure that it wasn't just the support of a minority that propelled award winners like Eddie Murphy and Danny Glover to the top of the ladder of fame in most countries around the world.

Can we ease off on the corrective racism please?

It was okay to reverse racism and throw a brighter-than-normal spotlight on blacks during the Woodstock era, when civil rights was a pressing issue all over the world. The point was made and taken by all but a handful of KKK, and blacks are no longer considered inferior.

Are African Americans afraid that if the spotlight is removed they will be in the dark again?

By the way, if black people really want to assert their individual rights, I would recommend dropping the 'African' tag.

Emphasizing an issue to prove a point is okay but don't go overboard! How many African Americans have ever been to Africa?

I am not racist in any sense of the word but I get irked when the tables are deliberately turned to the point of excluding mention of the obvious support by other races in a democratic country like this where only the popular become famous.

(ed. note- The opinions expressed on this page do not necessarily reflect those of the el Don)

His legacy carries on

BY JOHANNA FREDRICKS
STAFF WRITER

After watching President Reagan's Farewell Speech, I am amazed that he still thinks he did a great job. Eight years ago, a homeless person was usually a victim of his or her own misfortune. Alcoholism, mental illness, and loneliness were usually the causes. Now, we have a phenomenon called homeless families.

These families were one or two paychecks away from poverty, and usually because of bills due to illness, job closures, or layoffs, these families quickly found themselves with no place to go but the streets. The children live in constant fear. They generally cannot attend school because of constant moving. Parents cannot leave the children in a safe place long enough to search for housing and employment.

Our former leader and his administration decided that these people were not as important as making sure we scared the hell out of the world by our superior military. Every time Congress tried to help they were told thanks but no thanks.

For those who disagree, I challenge you to spend time with or country's homeless and ask them if they enjoy going hungry and sleeping in the cold.

Reagan said he was proud that his administration created and filled 19 million new jobs. Do these jobs pay enough to afford day care for the children, a college fund for their education, a savings accounts, mortgages, car payments, and most important, health and life insurance for the entire family?

I can't believe that we still have to question this. Why do we still have to look upon it as benefits. They should be necessities.



TAKE 5

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

Entries for ASB's annual poetry contest are now being accepted at the Student Activities Office in Johnson Campus Center. Deadline is 12 noon on Feb. 9. For further information on this opportunity to demonstrate your literary bent and creativity, phone 667-3098.

Movie Buff Alert! Starting Jan. 30 at 5:00 pm in the student lounge, Johnson Campus Center, free munchies will be offered during the showing of everybody's favorite movies. Showing ends at 9:00 pm and all are welcome.

Edwards Cinemas were never more accessible. Special discount tickets are available at the Student Activities Office. At just \$3.50 a shot, why not treat your whole family!

Did you know that your student card entitles you to unlimited access to the thousands of books available in Nealy Library? Situated beside Johnson Campus Center, RSC's library offers the ultimate in study opportunities. Contact 667-3451 for library hours.

The Professional Actors Conservatory at RSC is presenting three separate plays on the Santa Ana campus during the months of January and February.

'Evita', by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice, opened in Phillips Hall on Jan. 19 and also shows on Jan. 20, 21, 22 at 7:00 pm. Two matinee performances on Jan. 27 and 28 at 2:00 pm will be followed by an 8:00 pm show on Feb. 3.

'The Diary of Anne Frank', by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett, previewed on Jan. 24 at 8:00 pm in P-105, Little Theatre West. Following performances are scheduled for 8:00 pm on Jan. 25, 26, 28, and Feb. 4, 8, and 10. There will be no matinee show.

'Charley's Aunt', by Brandon Thomas, will preview on Jan. 31 at 8:00 pm. Consecutive showings are scheduled for Feb. 1, 2, and 5 at 7:00 pm with an 8:00 pm performance on Feb. 9. 'Charley's Aunt' will perform twice on Feb. 11, with shows at 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

General admission to all performances is \$5. Students and senior citizens pay \$4. For further information, call the box office at 667-3163 or the PAC office at 638-3104.

OFF CAMPUS EVENTS

Off campus entertainment with a difference can be found in one of the many authentic Irish pubs in the Los Angeles and Orange County areas.

Located at 130 E. 17th Street in Costa Mesa, the Harp Inn provides a niche in which to escape the physical borders of the United States. Most of its patrons hail from Ireland and welcome all newcomers with their legendary hospitality.

Looney's Tavern (213-328-8266) in Torrance and The Irish Rover (213-453-6328) in Santa Monica are just two Irish bars which offer authentic Irish musicians by way of entertainment.

Jan. 29 is the last date to catch the 1989 Festival of Animation at the Port Theatre, located at 2905 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Corona Del Mar. Advance ticket prices are \$5 and are available at Freedonia Funnyworks in Orange (639-5830), Comic Quest in El Toro, and at all participating Ticketron locations.

Each performance will include 16 films such as Superman in "The Bulleteers" by Max Fleischer as well as the best in animation from France, Yugoslavia, England, Russia, Canada, and the United States.

For more information call (714) 784-1668. Tickets at the door are \$6.

RETROSPECTIVE OF A HERO

How dark the knight?

From 1939 until now: 50 years of the Batman in shadows, spotlight

BY TOBY SHARP
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Batman's not just for kids anymore. This summer will bring a major motion picture of Batman starring Michael Keaton and Jack Nicholson as the Batman and the Joker, respectively. It seems that Batman is now considered "in" and worthy of a spotlight. At the ripe age of 50.

The only spotlight seen up until recently has been the Bat-signal in the night skies of Gotham City.

Batman has been very "in" to the comic book world for a long time now. Since his first appearance in Detective Comics in 1939 Batman has gone through many different personifications.

When talking of Batman, many will think of the 60s TV show in which Batman and Robin, Boy Wonder, patrol Gotham City chasing down classic villains such as the Riddler, the Penguin, and the Joker. This Batman was much-loved, though a bit too comic bookish for not being animated.

Saturday morning cartoons bring us the Batman of the 70s. He is teamed up with other stars of the DC universe in the struggle to combat evil in the galaxy and on earth. He is still very comic bookish but it's okay in a cartoon.

Late in the 80s is when Batman reached back into the shadows of his roots through artist/writer Frank Miller's comic book, "The Dark Knight." This Batman is much like the 40s crime-fighter. He's a vigilante, striking from the shadows, exacting justice. "Dark Knight" takes a look at Batman 10 years in the future and how he combats evil through the use of high-tech machinery, body armor, and the one thing that the original Batman had to rely upon most of all, his intelligence.

The last two years have produced many more excellent Batman comics including, "Year 1," "Year 2," "10 Nights of the Beast," "The Cult," and most recently, "Death in the Family." "Death..." is where Robin, Boy Wonder, is killed (Don't panic, it wasn't the original Robin, Dick Grayson, it was Jason Todd). Individual issues of the 4-part mini series "Death..." go for as much as \$40 and maybe even more.

Appreciate the fact that you'll probably only have to pay \$6 or so to see Batman in the theatres (plus at least \$4 more for popcorn, candy, and a soft drink. If with date, multiply by 2). Look around when waiting in line and notice all the adults waiting with you and remember that kids come in all sizes. Batman's still for kids.

A survival course for the 90s

Human Sexuality: learning about ourselves and about the opposite sex

BY STEPHANIE HENSON
STAFF WRITER

Imagine walking in to the first class of a new semester and having the instructor ask you to write down all the slang terms for parts of the anatomy of the opposite sex that you can think of. Sound a little strange? Not if you're enrolled in the Human Sexuality course here at RSC.

Actually, the course covers a far greater expanse of topics beyond sex. Human Sexuality is an interdisciplinary study of life and survival in the age we live in. It is team-taught by Dr. Neal Rogers and Mr. Dan Goldmann which allows much flexibility for a wide range of topics.

According to Goldmann, the naming of slang terms on the first day of class is all part of a process, desensitization, which takes away the sensitivity that comes with talking about sex. This process helps students open up to the subject matter at hand and understand what is being taught without the embarrassment or giggles that usually come with a

class on sex education. Students enter the classroom unsure of what will take place and they leave with knowledge to help them make choices throughout their lives.

Subject matter ranges from anatomy, physiology and genetics to sexually transmitted diseases, rape, incest, marital and family problems, and other human dilemmas that affect people everyday. The talk is frank and to the point, and you won't find any tales of the stork or cabbage patches in this classroom.

In fact, Rogers and Goldmann refer to themselves as "The Myth-breakers". According to Rogers, "Most of the misinformation we receive about sex comes from our peers". It is their goal to sort out the myths about sexuality and give real answers to real problems.

The classes are large with over 100 students at a time. Yet the class is more than a lecture hall. Rogers and Goldmann have a way of opening up the classroom and getting everyone involved in comfortable dis-

cussion. They back up their lectures with guest speakers and discussion panels that offer information on all sides of delicate issues.

One panel that visits the class is the Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG). It is their intention to offer the students viewpoints on sexual issues that they don't see everyday, such as those of parents and friends. This is one of the more memorable panels to visit the class yet there are many others.

The instructors understand that when they are talking to 100 or more students about rape, molestation, incest or other sensitive topics, chances are that someone in the class has experienced these things first hand. They know they may strike nerves in some of the students, so the issues are handled honestly and openly. In many cases, people who experience sexual trauma feel they are the only one this has happened to. Rogers and Goldmann let their students know they are not alone, and tell them

how to get help.

Beyond the science and social aspects of human sexuality, Rogers and Goldmann try to answer some of the questions that undoubtedly arise throughout the semester. One method of handling these questions in a way that gets everyone involved is an activity called the grab bag. According to Goldmann, each student writes down one question that they have always wanted to ask a member of the opposite sex. There is a bag of questions for men and a bag for women. The questions are anonymous and at the end of the semester they are drawn randomly and students must answer a question for their gender as a whole.

Human Sexuality is a far cry from high school biology as it discusses the emotional as well as the physical side. Rogers and Goldmann pride themselves on the class they call "A survival course for the 90s and beyond".

It's not just a job, it's a career

BY ROBERT HERNANDEZ
IMAGE EDITOR

Though many colleges try to prepare their students to find a job, the RSC Career/Life Planning Center tries to prepare students for a career.

Located in the counseling office, the center offers students the opportunity to explore a wide range of careers from anesthesiology to zoology and to be able to see what careers will be in demand in the future.

"There is such a wealth of information here," said Yolanda Mugica, Supervisor of the center, "Some students say that they never knew this place existed. If they did they would have found that they could have prepared their courses for a solid career."

The center offers the Eureka computer career information system which permits students to obtain a variety of information. If a student has a career in mind, the Eureka has the capabilities to show what the salary is like, the opportunity for advancement and the work environment. If students don't have a career in mind they will be able to see a variety of different careers that they might be interested in. Eureka also shows what classes are required to obtain a degree in the field and which colleges offer a program in that industry.

According to Mugica the Eureka enables the students to have a printed copy of the material they've just seen on the computer.

The Center also contains a catalog of every college in Calif. and microfiche on most colleges in the western region of the United States. Students wishing to transfer can see which classes will be accepted by the college of their choice.

Scholarships are also available through the Eureka from participating companies who input the various funding.

"Without career planning you'll be able to find a job but you'll not be prepared for the future," Mugica said.

In using the center the students can see what careers will and will not be in demand in the near future on a local, state and national level.

"Within the last two years we have been gaining notoriety within the city, county and state institutions. We have come out as one of the best in So. Calif. Many agencies are referring people to the center," said Mugica.

Students as well as the public have taken advantage of the center according to Mugica. Throughout the year the center is utilized by different youth programs, vocational rehabilitation centers and people on probation.

"The best part of it is that you do not even have to be enrolled at RSC to take advantage of what we have available here in the Career/Life Planning Center," said Mugica. "All the services are free."

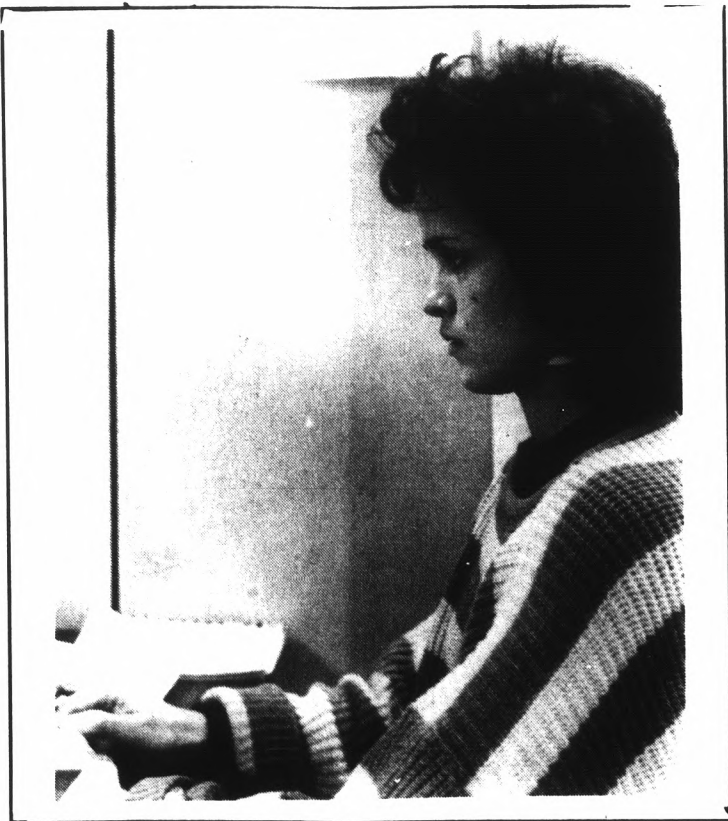
For more information call (714) 667-3050. The center is open Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-8 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.



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Cecilia Garduno works on the Eureka computer system in the Career/Life Planning Center

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-Jerry Rice of the San Francisco 49ers and Super Bowl MVP.

Fact:

Former baseball stars Johnny Bench and Carl Yastrzemski collected the most votes in the 53-year history of the Baseball Hall of Fame. Bench received 431 votes and Yastrzemski had 423. The previous record was 409 for Willie Mayes in 1979.

BASKETBALL

Uphill Climb for Lady Dons

RSC's women basketball team lost its third Orange Empire Conference game with a 105-51 defeat by Golden West last Friday.

Sophomores Vanessa Early and Pam Murray led the Lady Dons scoring. Murray connected on 8 of 14 field goal attempts, including 3 for 5 on three-pointers, scored 19 points. Early, the team's leading scorer at 15.9 points, finished with 11 points. Freshman Carolyn Burns was the leading rebounder with nine.

Golden West had an easy time, cruising to a 40-15 halftime lead and increasing the margin in the second half.

Things don't get any easier for the Lady Dons. Top-ranked Fullerton invades Cook Gymnasium tonight for a conference matchup with RSC. In the previous two meetings, Fullerton has registered convincing victories. The Hornets stomped RSC 93-27 in the first round of the Fullerton tournament and 80-45 in the OEC opener.

CLASSES

Learning the Ropes of Rotisserie

Enrollment is open for a class at RSC in Rotisserie League Baseball. Instructor Jim Reach will teach the class that meets on Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 21 from 7 to 10 p.m. Cost is \$25.

Class participants will have the opportunity to fulfill their fantasy of owning a major league baseball team and participate with their own players. Players performances will determine which student will win the league's pennant at season's end.

For information, call 667-3096.

EVENTS

8K Run

The 12th annual Spring Games' 8K Run will be held at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18 at Irvine Regional Park, 21501 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange.

Several men and women's divisions are open to interested participants. Cost is \$8 for registration until the day of the race. Runners who register by Feb. 4 will be issued a free T-shirt. Registration will be \$10 for runners who register the day of the race.

For information, call 667-3300.

BASEBALL

Dons Prepare for Season Opener

RSC will open its 1989 baseball campaign at home Tuesday, Feb. 7 against Mira Costa. Game time is 2 p.m.

The Dons will attempt to improve on last season's 39-9 mark that included an Orange Empire Conference championship and a trip to the state playoffs.

For information, call 667-3503.

THE PROS

Super Bowl Caps Off Super Decade

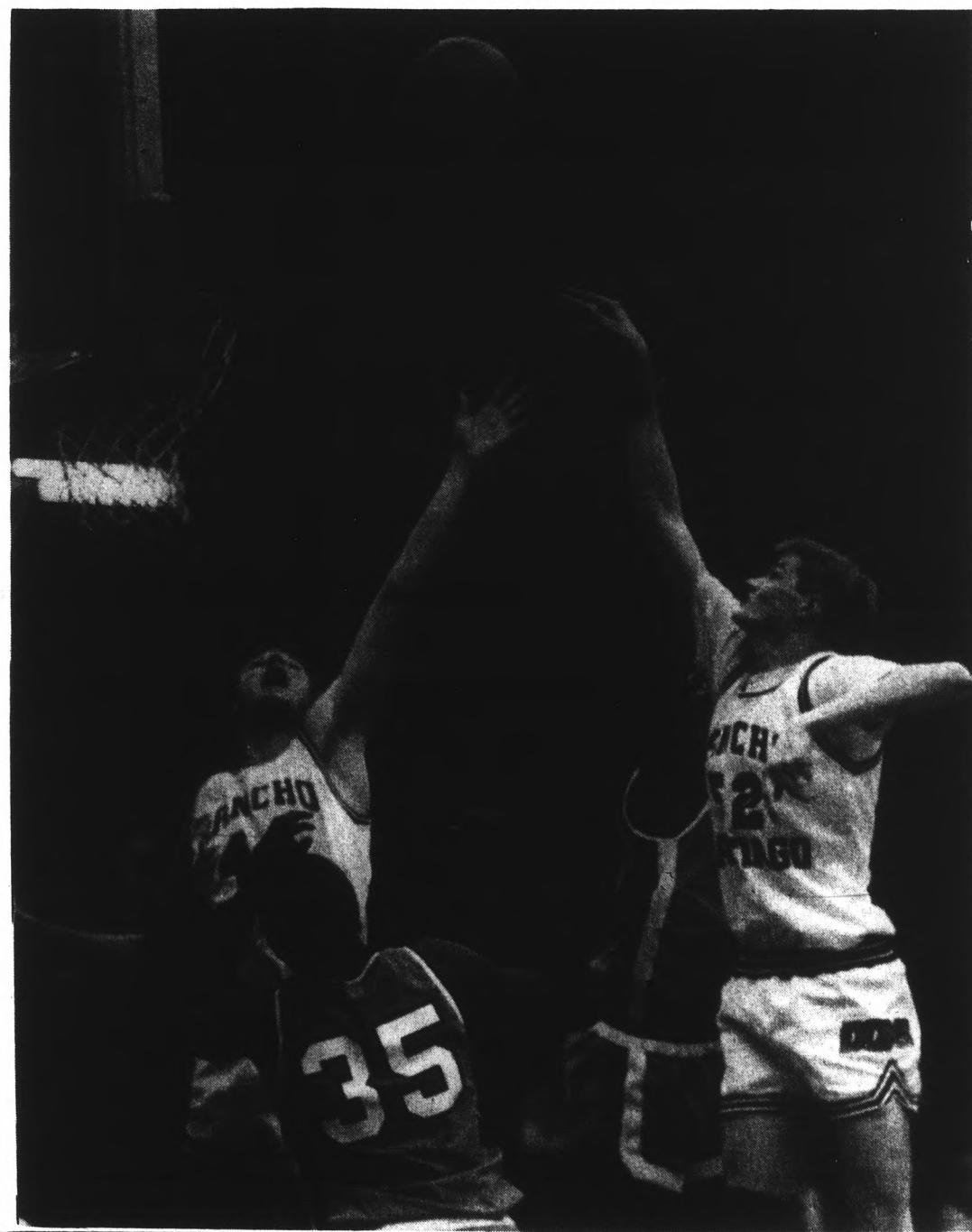
John Taylor's catch of a Joe Montana pass in the end zone with 34 seconds enabled the San Francisco 49ers to beat the Cincinnati Bengals, 20-16, Sunday and win their third Super Bowl of the decade.

San Francisco receiver Jerry Rice was named the game's MVP with a record-breaking performance. Rice caught 11 passes for 215 yards and one touchdown.

The 49ers previous Super Bowl victories came in the 1982 and 1985 Super Bowls.

Sportsline information compiled by the el Don sports staff. For any information regarding placement of a sports brief contact Forrest Lee at (714) 541-6064.

IN THE KEY



LETTING IT FLY- 6'9" Matthew Lien (52) takes a shot from the key.

Photo by/ Lucien Philbrick

Basketball 'wins ugly,' still manages to beat up Gauchos

BY FORREST LEE

SPORTS EDITOR

It wasn't pretty, but the bottom line is the Dons were victorious. RSC Coach Dana Pagett thought it was a little sloppy, but he'll take it.

"It didn't seem to flow at all," Pagett said.

Despite shooting 34 percent and trailing for most of the first half, RSC picked up their third straight victory with a 72-56 Orange Empire Conference whipping of Saddleback Saturday night at Cook Gymnasium. The victory kept the Dons on the heels of conference leader Riverside, the last team to defeat the Dons.

Freshman Gene Altamirano led the way with 17 points for the Dons. Sophomore Chris Martin added 13, center Mike Oden had 12 and Mike

Hunter chipped in 10.

The Dons played a lack luster first half and trailed until Martin's lay-up off a steal gave RSC a 20-18 lead. Saddleback's Bradd Heckman tied it, but Altamirano's free throw put the Dons back on top. Gaucho center Jay Jefferson's bucket gave Saddleback the lead again, but it was the last time.

Hunter hit two free throws for a 23-22 lead and RSC never looked back. Altamirano added two free throws before Martin and Oden scored baskets for a 29-22 halftime lead.

In the second half, the Gauchos pulled to within three (33-30) at 15:47, but the Dons scored seven straight for a 40-30 lead. Altamirano and John Guerrero combined for four three-pointers to prevent a

Gauchos comeback from rallying. Saddleback got no closer than seven the rest of the way.

"I thought we did a good job defensively. The kids played hard. I think we had pretty balanced scoring. It seemed like the kids were pretty unselfish."

That they were. Guerrero scored nine in addition to the four players who registered double figures.

Sophomore Tony Smalley, the Dons leading scorer at 16 points per game, returned to the Dons lineup after being out a few games with a groin injury. Smalley was a little rusty and not effective. He finished with three points.

Next on the Dons horizon will be a visit to Fullerton for another OEC contest. Game time is Saturday Jan. 28 at 7:30 p.m.

COLUMN



BY FORREST LEE

Bengals, 49ers put the 'Super' back into the bowl

January. Back to school, long days (or nights), college basketball, the Miami riots and the Super Bowl.

Ah yes, the big one. The 49ers and the Bengals played a great game that will always be remembered as the Riot Bowl. The only thing missing was the Ikey shuffle as the 49ers decided they weren't dancing partners for the Cincinnati running back.

Personally, I was torn between the two teams. Since both teams won their conference championships, I was having trouble deciding who to pick or where to lay my treasured allegiance for monetary gain. So, Sunday morning a friend back East helped make my decision. Actually, this friend insisted that I take the 49ers for a case of beer. I mentioned that I was leaning towards the Bengals, but that type of rooting wouldn't produce a bet I was told.

This friend, who we'll call Chuck, said it was in the bag for the Bengals. Where he got his information I wasn't quite sure, but I was hesitant that someone would call 20 minutes before kickoff and dare me to wager on the game's favored team. I mentioned to my friend that bucking the West Coast's dominance in recent championships - the Lakers, the Dodgers, who beat Oakland and now the Bay Area's Niners - wasn't smart money. As another friend mentioned, a San Francisco loss would be "a tough year for the Bay to lose two titles."

Finally, after listening to Chuck go on and on about his expert prediction, I figured I'd heard enough. Of course we all know about the game's outcome.

Pass me another Beck's, Chuck.

Dons softball looking for an 'Edge' in new season

Coach counting on a mix of veterans experience and new talent

BY JENNIFER MCDONALD

SPORTS WRITER

As RSC softball swings into the 1989 season beginning Feb. 8, head coach Butch Edge hopes that player potential and determination will lead the Dons to an Orange Empire Conference championship.

Edge, returning for his second season at the helm, said this year's team was built with a blend of proven talent from the 1988 campaign and a crop of promising new faces.

"We have some outstanding players on this ball club," Edge said. "The talent we have in our four returners coupled with the untested skills of the new players has me really excited for 1989."

The Dons will try to duplicate the



Lolly Figueroa



Heather Illsley

success that brought them back-to-back state championships in 1985 and 1986 and a league championship in 1987.

Returning to fuel the Dons' hopes are infielders Heather Illsley, Lolly Figueroa and Judy Padilla. Illsley and Figueroa were selected for the All-OEC first team last season. Padilla led RSC fielders in 1988 with a .991 fielding percentage, committing only three errors in 326 chances.

Freshman Shannon O'Rourke will round out the infield at shortstop. "Shannon will have a golden opportunity to step in with a proven group of quality infielders," Edge said. "She is going to have to mature quickly."

Christa Lawson is expected to provide leadership in the outfield. Lawson, a sophomore, sported an on-base percentage of .314 last season.

The mainstay of the Dons will be freshman pitcher Natalie Sanchez, who Edge expects to shoulder 90 percent of the pitching chores. Edge hopes to keep Sanchez fresh for the league contests, where she will pitch

all the games.

"Natalie will have to carry the team from the mound. She is our pitcher, plain and simple. She will be there when it counts," Edge said.

Freshman catcher Kim Wolf will be calling the signals behind the plate. Seven other players will vie for the remaining positions.

The Dons, coming off a 17-20 season, must remain healthy in order to contend in 1989, Edge said.

"You can have all the ability in the world, but a few injuries or off-field problems can destroy the whole thing," he said. "These players have been brainwashed all fall that the team is first and they are second. Their goal is to become state champions."

The key to the season is that the players work well together. With that outlook, the Dons prepare to do battle.

"When we show up, the other team knows it will be a dogfight," Edge said.

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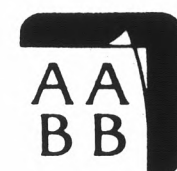
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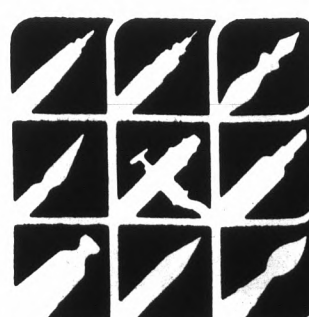


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